

MARY F. PARKER.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 538.]

MARCH 30, 1860.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom were referred the petition and papers of Mary F. Parker, widow of George Parker, make the following report :

Your committee have examined the evidence filed in support of this application, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petition ought to be granted.

It is in evidence from the Navy Department that the husband of the petitioner entered the navy when a boy, and served from that time to his death in the capacities of seaman and sailmaker for more than thirty years.

It appears he was on board the steamer Powhatan, on her mission to Japan, under Captain Perry, and served in the capacity of sailmaker. He became sick on that station from the effects of the climate in the China seas, which resulted in confirmed diarrhœa, when he was sent home unfit for duty in the year 1856. After his arrival home he suddenly died of polmonary apoplexy, the result of his disease.

This is one of those cases not coming within the scope of the Commissioner of Pensions, and the petitioner comes before Congress. Your committee are of opinion that the application is equitable, and in view of the facts in evidence, with a long life of toil in the service of his country, his widow ought to be protected by the government. Your committee therefore report the accompanying bill, and recommend its passage.

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